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This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114 of the above-identified application.

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Submittal with Request for Continued Examination Pursuant to 37
CFR 1.114 in Response to Office Action Made Final

Dear Sir:

Introductory Comments

Included with this submittal are a Revocation of Power of Attorney and Appointment of New Power of Attorney duly signed by the Applicant authorizing the undersigned agent and his associates to represent the Applicant in prosecution of this application.

Application No.: 10/658,337
Amendment dated April 21, 2005
Reply to Office Action of October 21, 2004

This Response to Office Action is being submitted with the attached Request for Continued Examination (RCE) for the above-referenced application in response to the Office Action made Final mailed October 21, 2004. Since this RCE and Response to Office Action are being filed on or before April 21, 2005, that is, within six (6) months of the date of mailing of the Final Office Action, this Response and RCE also includes a request for six-month extension to respond pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a) and the corresponding fee pursuant to 37 CFR 1.17(a) (5).

Applicant respectfully requests that the following amendments be entered prior to further examination of the above-referenced application.

Amendments to the Specification appear on page 3 of this paper.

Amendments to the Drawings appear on page 4 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the Listing of Claims that begins on page 5 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 9 of this paper.